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1. The military camp at Orkeny is south of the town and southwest of the concrete road to Szeged. The northern camp is occupied by Hungarian troops, the southern by Soviet troops belonging to the 94th Moto-mechanized Division. The major portion of this division is in the Kecskemet area.
2. The Soviet units at Orkeny are an armored regiment with two battalions, about 800 men and 57 T-34/85 tanks, and the staff and a section of three batteries of a field artillery regiment, about 400 men, with 122 mm howitzers.
3. Replacements and recruits were brought to these formations in February 1953.
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5. At the end of April 1953 these troops left the camp and marched off to the south for battle exercises.
6. A branch line, with special loading ramps, runs to the camp from the Budapest-Orkeny-Kecskemet railroad.
7. The Hungarian acceptance commission for Soviet weapons is in the northern camp, the artillery section headed by Col Koczina, the section for tanks and SP guns by Lt Col Volgyes, or Tolgyes.
8. The command has available the men of an artillery battery, an AA battery and an armored company for testing purposes.
9. During the fall of 1952 the following materials were delivered: 65 T-34/85 tanks; 29 JS III tanks; 28 SU-100 SP guns; 19 SU-76 SP guns; 385 76.2 AT guns; 105 76.2 field artillery pieces; 73 122 mm howitzers. During the spring there were turned over rocket projectors, 57 mm AT guns and 82 and 120 mm mortars in uncertain number.
10. In addition, there were delivered a considerable number of the old T-34 tanks with 76 mm guns, but they were so worn that arguments arose between the Soviets and the Hungarian acceptance commission.
11. At the same camp there is a Hungarian rocket projector section, with three batteries, each having six 132 mm projectors. Strength: 350 men. Commander: Capt Solti.

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